

GROTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, May 9, 2012
Groton Public Library
7:00 p.m., Director's Office

- I. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m. by Marie Shaw.
- II. Roll Call: Betty Anne Reiter, Marie Shaw, Richard Semeraro, Susan Kietzman, Rosemary Duval-Arnould, Pennie Fox, Ranjna Bindra. Excused Lenore White, Ellen Chiapperini, Judy Leonard
- III. Public Comments: None
- IV. Communications: None
- V. Approval of minutes of the April meeting: A motion to approve the April minutes was made by Susan Kietzman and seconded by Richard Semeraro. The minutes were approved.
- VI. Review of April performance measures: Performance measures were reviewed. The Library continues to monitor the number of visits and the number of items circulated to establish a baseline for comparison.
- VII. New Business: None
- VIII. Director's Report
 - A. The Library received a check for \$10,000 from the SunUp Foundation which will be used to improve security for our DVDs. I would ask that the Board consider writing a letter thanking them for their ongoing support. (Action- Marie Shaw will write a thank you letter on behalf of the board)
 - B. Budget
 - i. Meeting with RTM Community Development and Services Committee on April 12 went well. Committee members seemed supportive of the Library and approved the budget number as presented.
 - ii. RTM budget hearing is scheduled for May 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Senior Center. (Action- Board members will attend to support the GPL)
 - C. Attended National Library Legislative Day in Washington, D.C. on April 24 with representatives from the CT Library Association to talk about the importance of federal money for statewide library initiatives.
 - D. Attended the Project Compass National Convening as one of six librarians invited from Connecticut. Representatives from 45 states

participated; speakers and attendees talked about digital literacy, help for job seekers, small business development and financial literacy.

(Action-The group of 6 Connecticut librarians who attended the meeting will meet with the State Librarian to discuss how initiatives presented at the meeting can be brought to Connecticut libraries.)

- E. The CT Library Association Annual Conference was held at the Mystic Marriott on May 7 and 8. All members of the professional staff attended one day of the conference.
 - F. The One Book kickoff was held on May 8 at the Mystic Arts Center.
 - G. Eleven community members participated in World Book Night through the Library. On April 23, they each distributed 20 copies of a chosen title to people throughout the community who are light or non-readers.
- IX. Old Business: The book sale was a success. The procedures are being evaluated.
- X. Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Richard Semeraro and seconded by Pennie Fox. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,

Rosemary Duval-Arnould
Secretary